GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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FOREIGN BLACKLISTED FIRMS
Paraste Shri Dalpat Singh

Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the largest number of firms blacklisted by the Protectorate of Emigrants in India is from Malaysia ;

(b) if, so, the details regarding the names of such firms blacklisted by the Government, country-wise;

(c) the details of complaints received by the Government against such firms from labourers employed there; and

(d) the action taken on these complaints and the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement showing the country wise names of the firms, which have been placed in Prior Approval Category/black listed, is annexed.

(c) Generally, the complaints of the workers relate to the breach of contract, non-payment or less payment of salary, substitution of contract, poor working and living conditions and some times non-availability of sponsor on arrival etc.

(d) On receipt of such complaints, the matter is taken up with the concerned registered Recruiting Agents who has sent them to sort out the problem within a reasonable time frame. If the Recruiting Agent fails to resolve the problem, his Registration Certificate is suspended/cancelled and the Bank Guarantee may be forfeited. In serious complaints, the foreign companies are blacklisted and all Protectors of Emigrants are instructed not to give any emigration clearance for recruitment of workers by such foreign companies.